## **O**BITUARIES

Obituaries without full service histories are those of members whose service files have been destroyed. Thus the information is no longer available. The following abbreviations reflect the historical name changes of the Force over the years:

- August 30, 1873 to June 23, 1904: North-West Mounted Police (NWMP);

- June 24, 1904 to January 31, 1920: Royal Northwest Mounted Police (RNWMP);

- February 1, 1920 to present: Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP).

With respect to training, "Depot" Division (simply referred to as "Depot" in the text hereunder) has always been located at Regina, Saskatchewan, and "N" Division, at Rockcliffe, Ontario, as well as Headquarters (simply referred to as HQ) at Ottawa, Ontario. Therefore their locations are not specified in the following text; the British Columbia Provincial Police has been abbreviated to BCPP. — Ed.

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ACKERT Reg. No. 20735, ex-Cpl. Robert Frederick Ackert, 56, died June 10, 1996, at Calgary. He was born October 23, 1939, at Ingersoll, Ontario, and joined the Force January 8, 1959, at Toronto. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Ackert was posted to "A" Division, Ontario, where he served at Ottawa. He was subsequently transferred to "D" Division, Manitoba, where he worked at Winnipeg, Whitemouth, Lac du Bonnet, Dauphin, McCreary, Thompson, Charleswood and Virden, taking his discharge February 15, 1972. Ackert was promoted to corporal October 1, 1970.

ANDERSON Reg. No. 17152, ex-Sgt. Arthur Claude Anderson, 67, died September 8, 1996, at Surrey, British Columbia. He was born April 28, 1929, at MacGregor, Manitoba, and joined the Force August 3, 1951, at Winnipeg. Upon completion of training at "Depot", Anderson was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, where he served at Bonnyville, Westlock, Hinton and Wainwright. On May 15, 1959, he took his discharge and reengaged into the Force April 21, 1960, at Edmonton, Alberta. Anderson was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, where he worked at Burnaby, Vancouver, Prince Rupert and Surrey, retiring July 8, 1977. He was promoted corporal May 1, 1970; sergeant July 1, 1975.

**BARRIE** Reg. No. 18441, ex-S/Sgt. Jack Arnold Barrie, 62, died August 1, 1996, at Courtenay, British Columbia. He was born February 6, 1934, at Edmonton, Alberta, and joined the Force November 12, 1953, at Victoria, British Columbia. Upon completion of training at "Depot", Barrie was posted to "D" Division, Manitoba, where he served at Winnipeg, Norway House, Portage La Prairie, Hodgson and Fisher Branch, retiring November 10, 1985. Barrie was promoted corporal May 1, 1966; sergeant October 1, 1975; staff sergeant June 10, 1980.

**BENNETT** Reg. No. 18327, ex-Sgt. Thomas Stanley Bennett, 61, died July 9, 1996, at Perth, Ontario. He was born August 26, 1934, at Chatham, New Brunswick, and joined the Force September 3, 1953, at Fredericton. Upon completion of training at "N" and "Depot", Bennett was posted to "K" Division, Alberta, where he served at Fort MacLeod, Medicine Hat and Edmonton. He was subsequently transferred to the following locations: June 18, 1959, to HQ; March 1, 1965, to Visa Control Duties at Cologne, Germany; August 1, 1968, to HQ; July 1, 1971, to "A" Division, Ontario, at Ottawa, taking his discharge July 15, 1984. He was promoted to corporal October 1, 1964; sergeant July 1, 1971.

BURTON Reg. No. 12871, ex-Sgt. Trevor Vernon Burton, 83, died August 22, 1996, at Winnipeg. He was born September 6, 1912, at Halifax, where he joined the Force June 26, 1937. Burton was posted to "H" Division, Nova Scotia, where he served with the Marine Section, at Halifax. On October 28, 1939, he took his discharge to join the Royal Canadian Air Force. For his service during the Second World War, he was awarded the War Medal 1939-45 and the Canadian Volunteer Service Medal with clasp. Burton reengaged into the Force September 7, 1945, at Halifax, where he was posted to Marine Section. On November 1, 1953, he was transferred to "D" Division, Manitoba, where he worked at Winnipeg, retiring July 15, 1962. Burton was promoted to corporal August 1, 1947; sergeant November 1, 1956.

CHARRON Reg. No. 19284, ex-Sgt. Joseph Jean Marc Charron, 59, died September 16, 1996, at Deux-Montagnes, Quebec. He was born November 19, 1936, at Brownsburg, Quebec, and joined the Force March 8, 1956, at Montréal. Upon completion of training at "N" Division, Charron was posted to "C" Division, Quebec, where he served at Valleyfield, Drummondville, Granby, Lacolle, Caughnawaga, Saint-Jean, Dorval and Mirabel, retiring June 18, 1989. He was promoted to corporal July 1, 1965; sergeant April 1, 1975.

**COX** Reg. No. 16634, ex-Cst. Eric Cox, 80, died August 24, 1996, at Burnaby, British Columbia. He was born July 28, 1916, at Hucknall, Nottingham, England, and became a member of the Force on August 15, 1950, when the BCPP, where he had been serving since November 19, 1949, was amalgamated with the RCMP. Cox was posted to "E" Division, British Columbia, and served at Vancouver, Nanaimo, Cloverdale and Surrey, retiring August 26, 1972.

**DARE** Reg. No. C/1355, Lt. Gen. Michael R. Dare (retired), CMM, DSO, CD, died May 22, 1996, at Victoria, British Columbia, at the age of 78. His military career included Second World War battle honours (1944), service in Korea (1953), peace-keeping during